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(b) Any proposed change which has a direct bearing on another change affecting voting which has not received section 5 preclearance.

However, with respect to a change for which approval by referendum, a State or Federal court or a Federal agency is required, the Attorney General may make a determination concerning the change prior to such approval if the change is not subject to alteration in the final approving action and if all other action necessary for approval has been taken.

§51.23 Party and jurisdiction responsible for making submissions.

- (a) Changes affecting voting shall be submitted by the chief legal officer or other appropriate official of the submitting authority or by any other authorized person on behalf of the submitting authority. When one or more counties or other political subunits within a State will be affected, the State may make a submission on their behalf. Where a State is covered as a whole, State legislation (except legislation of local applicability) or other changes undertaken or required by the State shall be submitted by the State.
- (b) A change effected by a political party (see §51.7) may be submitted by an appropriate official of the political party.

§51.24 Address for submissions.

- (a) Delivery by U.S. Postal Service. Submissions sent to the Attorney General via the U.S. Postal Service shall be addressed to the Chief, Voting Section, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, P.O. Box 66128, Washington, DC 20035-6128.
- (b) Delivery by other means. Submissions sent to the Attorney General by carriers other than the U.S. Postal Service should be addressed or may be delivered to the Chief, Voting Section, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, 320 First Street, NW., room 818A, Washington, DC 20001.
- (c) Special marking. The envelope and first page of the submission shall be clearly marked: Submission under section 5 of the Voting Rights Act.

[Order 1214–87, 52 FR 33409, Sept. 3, 1987, as amended by Order No. 1793–93, 58 FR 51225, Oct. 1, 1993]

§ 51.25 Withdrawal of submissions.

- (a) A jurisdiction may withdraw a submission at any time prior to a final decision by the Attorney General. Notice of the withdrawal of a submission must be made in writing, addressed to the Chief, Voting Section, as specified in §51.24 of this part. The submission shall be deemed withdrawn upon receipt of the notice.
- (b) Notice of withdrawals will be given to interested parties registered under §51.32.

[52 FR 490, Jan. 6, 1987, as amended by Order 1214-87, 52 FR 33409, Sept. 3, 1987]

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§51.26 General.

- (a) The source of any information contained in a submission should be identified.
- (b) Where an estimate is provided in lieu of more reliable statistics, the submission should identify the name, position, and qualifications of the person responsible for the estimate and should briefly describe the basis for the estimate.
- (c) Submissions should be no longer than is necessary for the presentation of the appropriate information and materials.
- (d) The Attorney General will not accept for review any submission that fails to describe the subject change in sufficient particularity to satisfy the minimum requirements of §51.27(c).
- (e) A submitting authority that desires the Attorney General to consider any information supplied as part of an earlier submission may incorporate such information by reference by stating the date and subject matter of the earlier submission and identifying the relevant information.
- (f) Where information requested by this subpart is relevant but not known or available, or is not applicable, the submission should so state.
- (g) The following Office of Management and Budget control number under the Paperwork Reduction Act applies